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1. In the evening on 3 March 1954, 6 T-34/85 tanks and 4 trucks occupied by troops passed through Koepenick, coming from the direction of Mueggelheim. Similar details had repeatedly been observed en route in the same direction in the early morning or in the late evening. Local residents stated that tank units were stationed in the wooded area near Gohsener Bruecke (bridge). 1

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2. On 10 March, the cantonment south of the Karlshorst racecourse appeared to be occupied as previously by about 1,000 troops. Nine armored vehicles, including 1 BA-64 armored scout car, were observed.

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3. On 18 March, the cantonment south of the Karlshorst racecourse was occupied by an estimated 1,000 troops. Eight to 10 tanks were seen in the installation. 1

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4. On 11 March, the Wuhlgarten Heilanstalt (insane asylum) (4221) was occupied to capacity by Soviet troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Fifteen tanks were seen in the installation.

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5. On 15 March, numerous imprints of tank tracks were seen around Heilanstalt Wuhlgarten. About 10 canvas-covered vehicles were observed in a vehicle shed in the northwest section of the installation. Trucks

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entered the installation. 2

On 10 March, 10 canvas-covered tanks were seen in the cantonment south of the Karlshorst racecourse. 1

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1. Comment. Tank units of the 7th Gds Mech Div from the cantonment south of the Karlshorst racecourse presumably bivouacked and practiced in the area south of Grosser Mueggel See (lake). The cantonment appears to be occupied as previously.

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2. Comment. the Wuhlgarten Heilanstalt as occupied as previously by elements of the 6th Gds Mech Div.

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